GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4749
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HITLER PLANE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether PDA Engineering college, Bangalore had sold a rare World War-II vintage German MESSERSCHMITT BF 109E fight bomber to a antique dealer in Bangalore;

(b) if so, whether the Indian Air Force has sought this rare Hitler plane back from the party to whom it was sold; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to get back this plane of historical importance?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) It has been reported that the plane has been sold to an antique dealer in Bangalore.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Ministry of Defence has requested the Government of Karnataka to take necessary steps.